



Memorandum

TO: Historic Landmarks Commission

FROM: Courtney Damkroger

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED LANDMARK
DESIGNATION OF THE
ARTHUR MONROE FREE HOUSE
HL02-145**

DATE: April 18, 2002

APPROVED:

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BACKGROUND

The Arthur Monroe Free House is located at 66 South 14th Street. The site is located in the R-1-8 Residence zoning district and designated Medium Density Residential (3 DU/AC) on the adopted San Jose 2020 General Plan Land Use Transportation Diagram.

ANALYSIS

Landmark designation is proposed for The Arthur Monroe Free House on the approximately 0.19 gross acre site. The proposal is consistent with General Plan historic, archeological and cultural resources goals and policies which state the preservation of historically or archeologically significant sites, structures and districts are key considerations in the development review process. These policies also state that “the city should use the landmark designation process of the Historic Preservation Ordinance to promote the preservation of historically or architecturally significant sites and structures.”

The Arthur Monroe Free House merits designation as a historic landmark based on its historical, architectural and cultural significance (see attached State form and Historic Evaluation Form). The building qualifies for landmark status based on the following criteria of the Historic Preservation Ordinance (Municipal Code Section 13.48.110):

3. Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the local, regional, state or national culture and history in that this residence was the home of Arthur Monroe Free who was a locally significant Congressman.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission, after holding a public hearing on the subject proposal, recommend that the City Council approve the designation of The Arthur Monroe Free House as Historic Landmark No. 145.

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Historic Preservation Officer

Attachments

PBCE002/Historic/HL Nominations/HL01-145 HLC SR